

QUEEN OF APOSTLES CATHOLIC CHURCH

Give me yourself, O my God, give yourself to me.
Behold I love you, and if my love is too weak a
thing, grant me to love you more strongly.
I cannot measure my love to know how much
it falls short of being sufficient,
but let my soul hasten to your embrace
and never be turned away until it is hidden
in the secret shelter of your presence.
This only do I know, that it is not good for me
when you are not with me, when you are only outside me. I want you in my very self. All the plenty
in the world which is not my God is utter want.
-St. Augustine of Hippo

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CLERGY

Fr. Juan Espino, DCJM, Pastor Fr. Javier O'Connor, DCJM, Parochial Vicar Fr. Jaime de Cendra, DCJM, Parochial Vicar Fr. Ignacio de Ribera, DCJM, In Residence Deacon Richard C. Caporiccio

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Vigil Masses on Saturday: 5:00 pm, 7:00 pm (in Spanish) Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am, 12 Noon, 2:00 pm (Ghana Community)

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday-Friday: 6:30 am and 9:00 am No 6:30 am Mass on Federal Holidays Saturday: 8:00 am

HOLY HOUR SCHEDULE

Thursday: 7:30-8:30 pm

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Monday-Friday: 7:00-7:30 am Wednesday: 6:30 pm until last penitent Thursday: 7:30-8:30 pm during Holy Hour Saturday: 4:00-5:00 pm and 6:00-7:00 pm Sunday: 8:30-9:00 am and 10:00-10:30 am

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday 7:00 am through Saturday 7:45 am

QUEEN OF APOSTLES CATHOLIC SCHOOL

4409 Sano Street, Alexandria, VA 22312 Mrs. Anne Arias, Principal Mrs. Maria Fox, Secretary (703) 354-0714 www.queenofapostlesschool.org

2019 Marian Rosary Congress & Pilgrimage Saturday, September 14, 2019 7:30 am - 4:00 pm

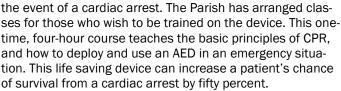
For our Parish Pilgrimage this year, we will be joining the Marian Rosary Congress & Pilgrimage at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception (400 Michigan Avenue NE, Washington, DC 20017) on Saturday, September 14, 2019 (the Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross) from 7:30 am - 4:00 pm. This year's theme is "Behold Your Mother." A Procession of 5 Marian images will begin at 7:30 am.



Our parish will not be taking a bus this year, so please plan to arrive at the Basilica by 7:15 am. The day will include a Crowning of Mary, a Living Rosary, and talks by Rev. Fr. Jeb Stuart Donelan & Rev. Fr. Joseph Bergida. Confessions will also be available. The program will conclude with the celebration of Holy Mass at 2:00 pm by His Excellency The Most, Rev. Archbishop Bernardito C. Auzo.

Calling all Ushers to become CPR &

AED Trained As you may have noticed, in our vestibule is a new Automated External Defibrillator (AED) for use by trained personnel in the event of a cardiac arrest. The Parish has an



The next available class is **September 14** from **9 am – 1 pm** in the Parish Center 2nd Floor Hall. The cost is \$50. (Comparable to \$85 at a commercial facility.) Discounts are available for those who serve our weekend and weekday Masses. Please contact the parish office to register, or register online at www.queenofapostles.org/aedtraining Limited spots are available, so sign up now!

Recovering Origins Retreat is a unique healing retreat for adult children of divorce. The retreat will be held Friday, August 30 at 6 pm through Sunday, September 1 at 1:30 pm at the San Damiano



Spiritual Life Center (125 Old Kitchen Road White Post, VA 22663). Retreatants will discover their identity as children of God. The retreat will include presentations, adoration, confession, small group sharing, and daily Mass. Retreatants will receive insight into dealing with the earthly realities of their parents' divorce. Whether you have struggled with this issue for a long time or have tried not to think about it, we invite you to join us on retreat this summer. There are plenty of spots left. The cost is \$350 (\$400 after July 31).Register at arlingtondiocese.org/recoveringorigins

Taller de Oración y Vida You are invited to participate in a Prayer and Life Workshop from Father Ignacio Larrañagas' spirituality that will start **August 29 from 7 to 9 pm** in the School library. The workshop will guide you through a series of practical prayer methods to deepen your

relationship with God. There are 15 sessions offered in Spanish, and inscription will close on September 15. For more information, please call Antonieta Berth at (703)244-5497



Religious Education: Faith Formation for Children

The first day of class is **Sept 8, 2019** with doors opening at **8:00 am.** Classes begin promptly at **9:00 am** and parents meet with the priest at **9:00 am**. Religious Education classes are for public school and homeschool students. Spaces remain for grades kindergarten, grades 1, 4, and 6. Registration is closed for grades 2, 3, 5, 7, 8, and high school. Tuition is \$90 for 1 child; \$140 for 2 children and \$170 for 3 children in the same family. The tuition payment by cash or check is expected at the time of registration. Religious Education classes meet on Sundays, **9:00 -10:15 am** at QofA School (4409 Sano Street). New students need to provide birth and baptismal certificates to register. Parents of unbaptized children under the age of 5 are asked to contact the parish office.



Homeschool families with children preparing for Sacraments this upcoming school year are asked to contact the office at 703-354-8711 or s.gray@queenofapostles.org

Thank you to our catechists, aides, and volunteers who are preparing lessons for the next school year. A Blessing of Catechists will be held on **Sept. 15**.

Visit the Adoration Chapel during our hours of

need! Our Chapel is open 24 hours a day, Monday 7 am through Saturday 8 am (midnight hours require a passcode for entry). Greatest hours of need include:

- Friday, 4-5 am *Critical need for a permanent Adorer
 Contact Alexa Urban at (703) 241-1096 or moleski47@gmail.com for these hours of need
- Mon 10pm-12midnight; Wed 10-11 pm; Contact Nenita De Guzman at (703) 354-8711 Ext. 18 or n.deguzman@queenofapostles.org for these hours of need
- Mon 1-3 pm; Tues 3-4 pm; Wed 1-4 pm; Thu 1-2 pm Contact Rosalie Mainey at (703) 256-5765 or rosalieam@msn.com for these hours of need

Pastor's Letter

A Year of Great Hope

Dear Parishioners,

Last Sunday, we celebrated the Feast of our beloved Patroness, Mary, Queen of Apostles. The first reading from the Acts of the Apostles presented us with a most moving image – the apostles united in prayer with Mary. Following the ascension of Christ into heaven, the apostles were again in a disconcerted state. Surely, it was Mary who brought them together, close to her, inviting them to open their hearts to hope. As she, Mother and Queen, prays with them, the Love of God descends upon them as a strong wind.

In the form of a powerful wind, the Holy Spirit not only awakens the apostles but clears away any sense of fear or sadness. The Love of God comes into their hearts, setting them on fire with zeal to build the Kingdom of God. There is no doubt that the presence of the Holy Spirit shakes things up.

We can be sure that Mary, who has access to all the riches in the Heart of Father and of the Son, continually intercedes for us. This summer the Holy Spirit has descended upon our parish in the form of that strong wind breathing new life into us. We have witnessed several changes in our leadership. It seems that the Holy Spirit who blessed our parish family with the gifts of our previous Pastor, Fr. Leopoldo Vives, as well as those of His staff, wants to open a new chapter with new gifts.

We begin this year with a new Pastor and a new Principal, Anne Arias. Since assuming the role at the end of July, Mrs. Arias has capably filled the remaining open positions on the staff. Our 2019-20 faculty holds nearly 90 years of prior teaching experience and 13 of our 18 teachers have earned or are pursuing advanced degrees. It is also a group that is firmly committed to the mission of Catholic education. Under Anne's leadership, and with the pastoral guidance of Fr. Jaime de Cendra as school chaplain, I am confident our faculty will effectively transmit that mission to the hearts and minds of our students and families.

We also prepare for upcoming changes to our parish staff. Last week, Dave Cook, our Director of Operations and Stewardship, informed us that he was accepting a position at the Archdiocese of Washington as their new Director of the Archbishop's Appeal. We are grateful for everything he did for our parish family and express confidence that the Lord will provide us with another person to serve our parish.

It is a year of great hope. The Lord's love is constantly acting in us and through us. May Our Queen and Mother unite us in prayer, strengthen our hope, and help us become true apostles of Christ.

~Fr. Juan Espino, DCJM, Pastor

Join the First Saturday Rosary Team Did you know that the 'no-show' rate can go up by 70% when there are people peacefully praying outside an abortion facility? Please join the prayer team every First Saturday to pray the rosary at

10:30 am at the Falls Church abortion facility. The next First Saturday is on **September 7, 2019**. The facility is located at 900 S. Washington Street, Falls Church, VA 22046 For inquiries, contact Amy McInerny at (703) 841-3817 or respectlife@arlingtondiocese.org



2019 Respect Life Conference will be Saturday, Sept. 7, 2019 at Church of the Nativity, Burke. The keynote will be delivered by M.C. Sullivan, nurse-bioethicist-attorney, Chief Healthcare Ethicist, Director of the Initiative for Palliative Care and Advance Care Planning for the Archdiocese of Boston. The conference will begin with 8 am Mass. The public portion of the program is from 9 am - 12:30 pm. Register at arlingtondiocese.org/rlc

Couple's Monthly Marriage Group Teams of Our Lady is an international movement in the Catholic Church to help married couples grow in their unique conjugal spirituality within a monthly small group. An Information Meeting will be held at St. James Church in Heller Hall (905 Park Ave, Falls Church, 22046) at 1:00 pm on Sunday, September 8. Contact Deacon David S. McCaffrey at (571) 643-6895 or themccaffreys22003@gmail.com and visit www.teamsofourlady.org for details.

Post-Abortion Healing Retreat for Women An Entering Canaan Day of Prayer & Healing for women who have experienced abortion will be held on Saturday, Oct. 5th, 2019. Come begin your healing journey and experience God's hope and mercy. You are not alone. There is hope. There is healing. For more information and confidential registration, please contact Project Rachel Ministry at 888-456-HOPE

(4673) or info@helpafterabortion.org

This Week In Our Parish

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time - August 25:

Hannan Hall 2:00-5:30 pm Ghana Group Adoration Chapel 6:00-8:00 pm Prayer Group

Monday, August 26:

Cupertino Room 6:30-9:00 pm Hispanic Legion of Mary

Tuesday, August 27:

No events

Wednesday, August 28:

Hannan Hall 7:00-9:00 Ghana Prayer Group

Thursday, August 29:

Hannan Hall 6:30-9:00 pm Caminantes de Emaus Parish Office 6:30-8:00 pm Legion of Mary

Church 7:30-8:30 pm Holy Hour

Friday, August 30:

Adoration Chapel 3:00-4:00 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet Hannan Hall 6:30-9:00 pm Emaus Retreat

Saturday, August 31:

School 4:00-6:30 pm Spanish Prayer Group School 7:00-9:00 pm Ghana Choir Practice Notre Dame Graduate School 8:00-10:00 pm Emmaus

Choose Life License Plates Get your Choose Life license plates! These plates are only \$25 online, \$15 of which goes to a Virginia



Pregnancy Center. You can purchase a plate at <u>vachoose-life.org</u> Help promote adoption and choose life activities by also buying hats, shirts, ties, and more at <u>choose-life.org</u>

Noche Católica de Música y Evangelio A Spanish night of Catholic Music and Gospel will be hosted by the Hogares de Santa Maria on Saturday, September 14, at 8:30 pm in the school gym. The event will feature the Agere Contra group and will conclude with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. The cost is \$15 at the door and \$10 online

(Price does not include food). Register at stabatmater.net and call (571) 499-0812 for more details.



Nourishing Our Souls With Holy Scripture

Readings for Next Week

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time SIR 3:17-18, 20, 28-29 PS 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11

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Vocations

"Some of these I will take as priests and Levites, says the Lord." Is God calling you to the priesthood? If so, please contact general@queenofapostles.org or Fr. Michael Isenberg at (703) 841-2514 or m.isenberg@arlingtondiocese.org

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

That all men and women pursuing a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life will have the discipline and perseverance to follow in the path of Christ, we pray to the Lord.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is a positive and personal experience offering married couples an opportunity to learn a technique of loving communication that you can use for the rest of your lives. It is a chance to look deeply into your relationship with each other and with God. Sign up today to attend one of the upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends on September 20-22, 2019 in Herndon, VA and October 25-27, 2019 in Gaithersburg, MD. Early sign ups are recommended. For more information visit: RenewMarriage-VANorth.org or contact us at applications@renewmarriage-vanorth.org or (703)-646-1521.

Celebrating A Silver or Golden Wedding Anniversary this Year? Were you married in 1969 or 1994? Then

join Bishop Michael F. Burbidge for the 2019 Mass for Jubilarians to be celebrated on **Sunday, October 13th** at **2:30 pm** at the Cathedral of St. Thomas More in Ar-



Labor Day The Parish Office and Adoration Chapel will be closed on **Monday, September 2** in observance of Labor Day. There will be only one Mass celebrated at 9 am.



Queen of Apostles Vision Statement

To be a family of families committed to growing in discipleship of Christ and eager to invite others to join our family.

Joining Our Parish Family

Welcome to Queen of Apostles! We warmly invite you to join our parish family. So that you might receive all of our parish communications, and so that our clergy and staff may respond appropriately to your various sacramental needs, we encourage you to register at Queen of Apostles through the Parish Office. Parish registration forms are available in the Church vestibule and at the Parish Office, located at 4329 Sano Street (next to the church). Please notify the Parish Office of any family status changes or if you have moved outside of the parish by calling (703) 354-8711, or e-mailing general@queenofapostles.org

Mary, Queen of Apostles, pray for us.



"The Hail Mary will take us to heaven." -St. Jeanne Jugan

Do You Know Someone Who has Thought about Becoming Catholic? Invite them to attend RCIA

Classes If you know of someone who has thought about becoming Catholic, please encourage that person to contact the parish office (4329 Sano Street) for more information or email s.grav@queenofapostles.org

RCIA in English and Spanish will be held on Monday evenings (Sept-June) at Queen of Apostles, starting on **Sept. 16, 2019** with Fr. Javier and Fr. Jaime.

Also, RCIA classes are for baptized adults who have not received the Sacraments of Confirmation and/or Eucharist.

For couples married outside of the Church, our priests are willing to help you prepare for the Sacrament of Matrimony, an important step to receiving the other Sacraments, living the Catholic faith, and serving as godparents. Please contact the parish office and set an appointment to meet with a priest.

All Musicians Invited We are resuming the choir season! On Sept. 3rd we will have the first rehearsal for high schoolers and adults interested in joining our Spanish and English choirs. Rehearsals are held Tuesday evenings from 7 pm - 9 pm in Hannan Hall. If interested in joining our music ministry, please come to our first rehearsal. If you have questions, please contact Michelle at m.jacobeen@queenofapostles.oorg or 703-354-8711. Any instrumentalists interested in joining, please contact Michelle.

Nazareth We are looking for high school and adult volunteers for Monday afternoon Nazareth meetings. Contact Sarah Calvino at s.calvino@queenofapostles.org to help with supervision, running activities, and snack prep. Volunteer time can count as service hours.

Young Adults All young adults, 18-39, are invited to join us for monthly fellowship and formation, as well as other special activities. Meet us at the Cathedral of St Thomas More on **September 7th** for Mass with Bishop Burbidge, food, and fellowship with other young adults.

Emmaus High school students are invited to join Emmaus this Saturday evening, August 31, from 8:00-10:00 pm at Christendom Graduate School (CGS) located at 4407 Sano Street for fellowship, activities, faith discussions, and prayer. For more information, contact Sarah Calvino at s.calvino@queenofapostles.org or text QofA to 84576 to join our contact list and receive information about upcoming events.

Bulletin Deadline The deadline for submitting announcements for the September 1 bulletin is Monday, August 26. Please email announcements to general@queenofapostles.org

Thank You for your generous contribution to the Poor Box. This weekend's collection will go toward the **Poor Sisters** of Saint Joseph. Next weekend's collection will go toward the **Parish Charity.**

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time Masses this Week

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time - August 25:

7:30 am +Veronica and Frank White 9:00 am +Cortlandt L. Freeman

10:30 am Living and Deceased Parishioners12:00 pm (L) Juanita and David Denison

St. Joseph Calasanz - Monday, August 26:

6:30 am +Elizabeth Crombie 9:00 am +Mary Nucifera

St. Monica - Tuesday, August 27:

6:30 am +Marilyn Cole 9:00 am +Oscar Lloren

St. Augustine of Hippo - Wednesday, August 28:

6:30 am (L) Fr. Leopoldo Vives 9:00 am +Arvella Piercy

Martyrdom of John the Baptist - Thursday, August 29:

6:30 am +Elizabeth Crombie 9:00 am +Rita J. Figura

St. Jeanne Jugan - Friday, August 30:

6:30 am (L) Frank Gagliardi

9:00 am +Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Thach Sr.

St. Joseph of Arimathea - Saturday, August 31:

8:00 am +Edward and Solange Viala

5:00 pm +Juanito Opena 7:00 pm +Elizabeth Crombie

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - September 1:

7:30 am +Amparo Udasco 9:00 am +Dolores Perez

10:30 am Living and Deceased Parishioners12:00 pm +Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Enos

"To seek the highest good is to live well." -St. Augustine of Hippo



Please pray for the members of our parish who are ill Claire Reilly, Jin C. Navarro, Leo Monterroso, Etelvina León-Duarte, George Cook, Olivia Castillo Asnis, Maria Reyes, Anna Anderson, Michelle Jacobeen, Pedro Baiza, Jean McDermott, Anne Kemble, Tesfa Haile, Virginia Shea, Joseph Lipari, Rosa María Santos, Carmelita Mate, Leonor Cabrestane, Roger Trozado, Jeanie Miller, Maddie Respicio-

Cabatic, Helen Brooks, Charles Ferris, Dominic Blansett, Linda Intihar, Melencio Morales, Reyes Duran, Luong Bui, Nick Tullier, Rose Maalouf, Nicole Pack, Barbara J. Banis, Numa Osuna, Jr., Timmy Burnway, Kathleen Donohoe, Mark Bush, Margaret Peiffer, David Stemcosky, Rita Sulit, Jason Banis, Emma Collins, Juana Mejia, Lisa Nyce, Monique Brooks, Debby Spraht, Consuelo Jocson, Cheryl McGlynn, Theresa Corcoran, Cordelia Carcamo, Russ and Jill Amerling, Dorothy Norpel, Kathy Ippolito